

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request further examination and reconsideration in view of the arguments set forth fully below. Claims 1-20 were previously pending in this Application. Within the Office Action, Claims 1-8, 12-18, and 20 have been rejected, and Claims 9-11 and 19 have been objected to. By the above amendments, Claims 1, 6, 10, 13 and 16 have been amended, and Claims 2, 3, 9, 14, and 19 have been canceled. Accordingly, Claims 1, 4-8, 10-13, 15-18 and 20 are now pending in the application.

Objections To The Specification

Within the Office Action, it is stated that on page 2, lines 11 and 14, the reference number 232 is used for both a blade and an outlet. By the above amendment, the reference number for the outlet in Fig. 1(b) has been changed to 233.

Within the Office Action, it is stated that on page 7, line 7, outer is 72, not 71. By the above amendment, the reference number for the outlet in Figure 3(d) has been changed to 72.

Objections To The Drawings

Within the Office Action, the drawings have been objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a) as not showing the claimed coils. Figures 2, 3(b), and 3(c) have been amended to show the winding coils 52. The amended drawings are attached hereto. Also, the reference number 52 for the winding coils has been inserted into the text by the above amendment, to refer to the winding coils shown on the amended drawings attached hereto. No new matter has been added by these amendments. The relevant descriptions for the winding coils can be found in the original specification on at least page 5, lines 19-27.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Within the Office Action, Claims 2, 3, and 14 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. In order to further the prosecution of the application in the present invention, Claims 2, 3, and 14 are canceled by the above amendment.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-8, 12-18, and 20 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Muller (U.S. Patent No. 4,007,390) taken with Miyahara (U.S. Patent No. 6,439,299). Within

the Office Action, Claims 9-11 and 19 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. It is stated within the Office Action that Claims 9-11 and 19 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. By the above amendment, the independent Claim 1 has been amended to include all of the limitations of the objected to Claim 9 and is therefore in allowable form. By the above amendment, the independent Claim 13 has been amended to include all of the limitations of the objected to Claim 19 and is therefore in allowable form.

Claims 4-8 and 10-12 are dependent on the independent Claim 1. Claims 15-18 and 20 are dependent on the independent Claim 13. As discussed above, Claims 1 and 13 are allowable. Accordingly, Claims 4-8, 10-12, 15-18 and 20 are all also allowable as being dependent on an allowable base claim.

No new subject matter has been added by way of the above amendments. For the reasons given above, the Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 1, 4-8, 10-13, 15-18 and 20 are now in a condition for allowance, and allowance at an early date would be appreciated. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, he is encouraged to call the undersigned at (408) 530-9700 to discuss the same so that any outstanding issues can be expeditiously resolved.

Respectfully submitted,
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